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Bro. B.

I thank you for your letter of the 29th ult. I was absent from the city when it came to hand; & after I received it, had not time to write you at New Haven. You are wrong in supposing that we shall insist on the Board's adopting our distinctive tenet or our technics of any sort. On the other hand, the Board must not compel us to adopt tenets & technics contradictory of ours. Is there any middle ground — which at the same time shall place the Board, wherever it comes in contact with it, in the attitude of a moral condemnation of slavery & a practical separation from & opposition to it? I think there is — & have briefly sketched it, in the enclosed. Will you return the enclosed to me when you have examined it?

Yours &c.
A. A. Phelps.

A. A. Phelps to L. Bacon D.D.

Sept 10. 1845.

Not sent.

Rev. L. Bacon, D.D.

Brooklyn.